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OPERATIONS COORDINATING BOARD Washington 25, D.C.

March 7, 1956

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING: Working Group - Committee on Broadcasting

and Television (COBAT)

9th Meeting held 2 p.m.

March 5, 1956, OCB Conference Room

WORKING GROUP MEMBERS PRESENT:

USIA - Robert E. Button, Chairman

Frederick A. Long (alternate)

STATE - T. H. E. Nesbitt, Chairman TPIB

Defense - Lt. Col. M. E. Williamson

ICA - Robert Bruskin

OCB - Ralph Busick, Staff Representative

Marjorie Denny, Staff Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

USIA - Robert Haney

- 1. Mr. Haney (who recently returned from France) led a discussion on Eurovision and answered questions concerning the nature of programs, operating difficulties, and future potentialities of this setup.
- 2. Copies of a TPIB paper on interchangeability of TV receivers designed for East or West European standards, prepared at COBAT's request, were distributed to the members of the Committee. The Chairman of TPIB agreed that this paper would be periodically kept up to date for COBAT.
- 3. A final working draft of the paper on European television was distributed by the OCB Staff Representative for staffing in the various agencies before the next meeting, at which time the version to go to the Board Assistants will be finalized.
 - 4. The next meeting was called for Monday, March 12 at 2 P.M.

Ralph R. Busick

Staff Representative

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